

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1311 - HB 1860

March 1, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Adds coffee shops to the list of park operations for which the parks have authority to purchase items without following standard state purchasing procedures.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Restaurants and snack bars in state parks are currently exempt from normal state purchasing procedures. Adding “coffee shops” will make no material difference in purchasing procedures.
- The Comptroller of the Treasury reported to the General Assembly in January, 2003, that exempting these park operations from normal purchasing procedures “has led to improved efficiency and lower costs.” Special Report, p. 1.
- To the extent that coffee shops are not currently included in these operations, their addition would result in further efficiencies and lower costs. These savings will not be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly distinguishable.

James W. White, Executive Director